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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

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Pursuant to the Final Office Action mailed June 9, 2008 and the Advisory Action mailed November 25, 2008, applicants respectfully petition for **three-months extension of time** to respond to the Final Office Action of June 9, 2008. The response period for the final office action expired on September 9, 2008. The extended period for response expires on December 9, 2008.

The **\$1,110.00** extension of time fee is being paid by credit card.

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge payment of any additional fees or to credit any overpayment, to the Deposit Account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, Deposit Account No. **11-0600**.

Respectfully submitted,

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